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SUBJECT: IEA LONG-TERM PROGRAM: NORWAY

1. INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS HERE ON LONG-TERM PROGRAM ARE GOING WELL. MAJOR PROBLEMS AREA AT THE MOMENT APPEARS TO BE CONTINUED NORWEGIAN RELUCTANCE TO TAKE CHAPTER V. THEY MAY TRY TO HIDE BEHIND CANADIANS.

2. SUGGEST WE ASK AMBASSADOR IN OSLO TO TAKE THIS ISSUE UP URGENTLY AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL WITH GON AND ATTEMPT TO ENSURE THAT NORWEGIAN DELEGATE AT DECEMBER 19 GOVERNING BOARD HAS INSTRUCTIONS PERMITTING HIM TO TAKE AGREEMENT ON AD REFERENDUM BASIS.

3. SUGGEST YOU DRAW ON OUR EARLIER DEMARCHE TO NEW ZEALAND FOR TALKING POINTS. DEMARCHE SHOULD STRESS OUR VIEW THAT CHAPTER V AS IT NOW STANDS IS ESSENTIAL TO CONSUMER SOLIDARITY AND MAKE POINT THAT IF US, GIVEN NATURE OF OUR ENERGY RELATIONSHIP WITH CANADA, CAN ACCEPT CHAPTER V COMMITMENT WITH CANADIAN RESERVATION, WE DO NOT BELIEVE CANADIAN QUESTION A LEGITIMATE FACTOR IN DECISION BY ANY OTHER IEA COUNTRY. **

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